Monitoring Committee for Functioning of FCI Godowns

† 1235. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a monitoring Committee exclusively for streamlining foodgrain storage and godowns of the Food Corporation of India;

(b) if so, by when; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There already exists an in-built system of monitoring storage of foodgrains with the Food Corporation of India (FCI). Regular inspections are undertaken by the Zonal Managers/Senior Regional Managers and Quality Control Officers. Other aspects of storage management like capacity utilization, quality control, maintenance etc. are also monitored. The operations are reviewed and monitored every month in the Performance Review meetings at the Headquarters of FCI.

Corruption case against former Cabinet Secretary

1236. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN:
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that CBI has registered a case under the Prevention of Corruption Act, against a former Cabinet Secretary in wheat import scam; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for registering the case after four years?

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.